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LA PAZ FOR INFO REGIONAL MINERALS ATTACHE

1. MARTINEZ DE HOZ OFFICE UNIFORMED ABOUT PROPOSED VISIT. WE ARE SENDING NOTE TO HIS PRIVATE ASSISTANT WITH NAMES OF PARTY AND DESIRED APPOINTMENTS, BUT ASSISTANT SAYS WE CANNOT ANTICIPATE COMMITMENTS UNTIL SOMETIME AFTER MINISTER RETURNS FROM EUROPE THIS WEEKEND. WE DO NOT PLAN TO CONTACT SOMISA UNTIL WE HAVE AT LEAST PRELIMINARY REPLY FROM MINISTRY OF ECONOMY. WE SUGGEST GROUP SHOULD ALSO MEET WITH SECRETARY OF MINING PUCA PROTA.

2. PRESUME OCCIDENTAL GROUP IS AWARE THAT ALTHOUGH GENERAL POLICY OF JUNTA GOVERNMENT, AS STATED BY MARTINEZ DE HOZ AND BY SECRETARY OF MINING IS TO FAVOR FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN PETROLEUM EXPLORATION AND MINERALS, POLICY HAS NOT YET BEEN IMPLEMENTED. DETAILS AND LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK REMAIN TO BE WORKED OUT BY GOA.

3. EMBASSY HAS REPEATED REFTEL TO LA PAZ FOR INFORMATION OF REGIONAL MINERALS ATTACHE.

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